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The BULLETIN offers to the persons who, between February 1st and July 31st, shall send in the largest number of new subscribers, the following prizes:

1st Prize Cleveland Bicycle, \$70.

The winner of the 1st prize is at liberty to choose between models 90, 91 and 92 of the 1900 Cleveland Bicycle. Model 90 is a road racer, weight 20 pounds. Model 91 is a light road wheel, weighing 22 lbs., and Model 92 a heavier road wheel, wt. 24 lbs. The bicycle to be selected from the stock of the Honolulu Bicycle Co., agents for Cleveland Bicycles. (The choice may be made between the corresponding ladies' models, should the winner of 1st prize be a lady.)

2nd Prize, Singer Sewing Machine, \$60.00.

The winner of this prize may choose between three styles of machines: that with oscillating shuttle and top cover, that with vibrating shuttle and cabinet top, both five drawer machines, or the "Automatic" with three drawers. This machine will be furnished by B. Bergerson, sole agent for the Hawaiian Islands.

3rd Prize, Premo Senior Camera, 4x5, with outfit, \$40.00.

The Premo, Sr., has Double Swing Back, Double Sliding Front, and Rack and Pinion for focusing. This camera may be used with either Plates or Films. The outfit includes 1 Plate Holder, Tripod, 3 Trays, Developer, Fixer, Negative Rack, Graduate, String, Rod and Lantern. Camera and outfit are from the LeMunyon Photo-Supply Co., sole agents.

4th Prize, a Zonophone, the latest improvement on the Gramophone, with 6 Records, \$30.00.

This is the loudest and most natural talking machine yet invented. It is to be selected from the stock of the Bergstrom Music Co., sole agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

The following conditions of the contest must be observed:

1. All subscriptions must be prepaid at least three months in advance.
2. No renewals or transfers of subscriptions will be counted in this contest as new subscriptions. Each name must be bona fide addition to the subscription lists.
3. Subscriptions should be sent in as soon as secured, together with the name and address of the person to whom the subscription is to be credited, as well as of the subscriber. Great care should be taken to give ACCURATELY the full name and address of each new subscriber.

4 Any person in the Hawaiian Islands is eligible to try for these prizes.

During the continuation of the contest for the Most Popular Captain, coupons entitling the holder to cast so many votes for the Captain of his choice according to the term of his subscription, will be given to each new subscriber attached to the receipt for the subscription, as previously announced.

Subscription Rates: \$8.00 per year, \$2.00 for three months; strictly in advance.

THE MOST POPULAR CAPTAIN

The captain who shall have the largest number of votes on Saturday, March 31, will be given an elegant pair of Binoculars from the store of H. F. Wichman. They are the best that can be obtained and may be seen on display at Wichman's store.

In addition to the votes which appear each day in the upper right hand corner of the first page, which are to be filled out and deposited at this office, new subscribers are entitled to cast votes as follows: A coupon for the number is attached to the receipt.

MONTHS.....	40 VOTES
1 MONTH.....	150 VOTES
6 MONTHS.....	350 VOTES
1 YEAR.....	750 VOTES

The standing of the contest Friday, Feb. 8, was as follows. This list will be changed every Saturday.

CAPT. SIMERSON.....	1230
CAPT. CAMERON.....	1100
CAPT. CLARKE.....	1027
CAPT. PEDERSEN.....	444
CAPT. TULLEY.....	107
CAPT. BRUHN.....	117
CAPT. FREEMAN.....	110
CAPT. NICHOLSEN.....	9
CAPT. WEISBERG.....	9
CAPT. SAM-ON.....	8
CAPT. THOMPSON.....	6

Nippon Maru.

The Nippon Maru arrived off port at an early hour last evening. She came to an anchor and Hackfeld's scow went out to bring in the mail as neither pilot boat was available, one having gone outside to the Albert and the other one being engaged in chasing the Inverness-shire. Mr. Schuitze of H. Hackfeld & Co., was the only man who went out on the scow.

The passengers did not come in last night but waited until the Nippon Maru hauled alongside the Pacific Mail wharf at about 8:30 o'clock this morning.

BROWN OPPOSES BROWN

Objection From North Carolina in Matter of D. B. Smith's Estate.

Objection Asserts Existence of a Will and As Largest Creditor Objects to Administrator and Nominates a Receiver.

A telegram has been received at the Judiciary Department, as follows: "Statesville, N. C., Feb. 9, 1900. President Judge First Circuit Court, care Henry Smith, clerk, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands. Objections made to appointment Cecil Brown, administrator estate D. B. Smith. There is a will. If it cannot be found I am entitled to administration as largest creditor. Postponement ninety days for hearing respectfully asked. Appoint E. I. Spaulding temporary receiver."

"GEO. A. BROWN."

Mr. Smith immediately drew up the following reply: "Department of the Judiciary, Honolulu, H. L., Feb. 16, 1900. To Mr. Geo. H. Brown, Statesville, N. C. Dear Sir:—Your objection per the Western Union Telegraph Co. to the appointment of Cecil Brown as administrator of the estate of the late D. B. Smith this day received. So far no will in this country has been produced or offered for probate. If there is such a document not in this country the appointment of an administrator here would be subject thereto and the administration would in all probability be treated as ancillary upon the filing of an exemplification of the proof of such a document in some other jurisdiction outside of these islands. I do not believe the court here, in this estate, would entertain the appointment of a receiver, the usual course of administration would be preferred. According to law in such cases, the nomination of an administrator by the heirs precedes that made by a creditor irrespective of the largeness or smallness of any claim; all creditors alike being protected by the amount of the bond, which is usually based upon the value of the estate to be administered upon. Both nominees C. Brown and E. I. Spaulding, are equal in their standing in this community, commercially, socially or otherwise. I do not think anything can be gained by postponing the hearing for three months. However, the court may think otherwise. I write this simply to let you know that your objection has been filed. Yours truly,

"HENRY SMITH, Clerk Circuit Court, First Jud. Circuit."

VOTE TO EXTEND SEWERS

All the Cabinet members were present at the Executive Council meeting this morning, also F. M. Hatch, representing the Board of Health. With regard to the resolution of the Board of Health dated February 3, it was "Voted that the Executive Council recommend to the Council of State the appropriation of \$275,000 for the completion of the sewerage system under the present contract and the estimated cost of the extension of the sewerage system as outlined in Mr. Rudolph Herring's plans for the sewerage system of Honolulu; also for the proposed extension of sewerage to outlying districts; the same to be subject to the final approval of President McKinley."

It was also voted "that the Executive Council authorize the Minister of Finance to transfer \$100,000 from the current cash to the loan fund cash as provided for under Section 1, Act 63, Session Laws of 1898."

Liliuokalani to Return.

Hon. Samuel Parker, who returned in the Nippon Maru last night, is authority for the statement that Queen Liliuokalani will be back in Honolulu some time this month. She would have returned in the Nippon Maru but her physician in Washington advised her to remain a little longer to fully gain the good effects of the change of climate. When Mr. Parker left Washington she was looking exceedingly well.

Guardian's Sale Confirmed.

Judge Perry has signed an order confirming the guardian's sale of real estate belonging to Edwin Austin Jones, Helen Jones, Margaret Jones and Catharine Hay Jones, minors. The property consisted of an undivided one-half of seven land and water interests at Waikane, on the Koolau side of Oahu, the other half being the property of P. C. Jones, grandfather of the minors. The sale was made to L. L. McCandless, as the highest bidder, for \$12,500.

Little and Masonry.

It is learned from authoritative local Masonic sources that Col. G. F. Little has not been elected to thirty third degree Masonry.

HAS BULLER RETREATED?

Telegram From Boer Sources Causes Anxiety.

No Indications That Marked Headway Is Being Made—Activity With Methuen's Forces—Big Artillery Duel.

Pretoria, Monday, Feb. 5.—Col. Plumer's force February 2, attacked the Boer position near Ramonsta and after heavy fighting including an endeavor to take the place by storm, the British were repulsed. Their loss is unknown. No Boers were injured. London, Feb. 9.—6:40 p. m.—Up to the present time the War Office has evidently heard nothing of General Buller's retreat as described in the despatch from the Boer Head Lager, Ladysmith, February 8.

When shown the despatch the officials appeared utterly dumbfounded. Apparently they had not the least suspicion of the possibility of such an outcome of the operations.

Retired From Molens Drift.
Boer Head Lager, Ladysmith, Thursday, Feb. 8.—The British who were in possession of the kopje at Molens Drift, abandoned it after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position. A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

Says Buller Retreated.

Head Lager, Ladysmith, Wednesday, Feb. 7.—An armored train yesterday made a sortie from Chieveley towards Colenso and landed 2,000 British troops on the right of the Boer position.

The Boers immediately crossed the river and made an attack with rifles and artillery forcing the withdrawal of both the train and the troops to Chieveley.

The fighting on the Upper Tugela river lasted, until 8:30 o'clock Tuesday evening. Particulars are lacking. Firing at Colenso and along the Upper Tugela has been proceeding since 5 o'clock this morning.

Methuen's Men Retired.

Koodorsberg Drift, Feb. 8.—The Boers yesterday made a determined attempt to drive the British from a hill commanding the drift. Mounting two 7-pounders at the northern extremity, they shelled the position the whole day.

The Seaforth Highlanders gained a position on the rock summit and kept up a sustained rifle fire, but suffered somewhat from the Boers' shelling. A battery was sent and succeeded in silencing the Boer fire. Meanwhile two companies of the Argyll Highlanders advanced along the plain in a westerly direction, found the Boers entrenched at a small drift. A sharp engagement followed, lasting the whole day.

In order to completely surround the Boers, General Bullington was despatched from the Modder river with a large force of cavalry and two batteries of Horse artillery but failed to reach here, although he started early enough in the day to enable him to get here early this afternoon. This morning, General Methuen ordered that the combined force should retire upon the Modder river, which movement is now proceeding. The British losses in the fighting on Wednesday were fifty men killed or wounded.

London, Feb. 9.—The despatch from Koodorsberg Drift does not say whether General Bullington finally joined General MacDonald, but the word "combined" seems to indicate that he did so.

London Is Worried.

London, Feb. 9, 2:35 p. m.—There is still no news of General Buller's doings today or yesterday. A despatch dated Frere Camp, Thursday, February 8, but probably written with the advanced lines of Wednesday, February 7, and sent to Frere by runner, says: "The forces of the enemy are on both our flanks and continue to render our position difficult to maintain."

Beyond the fact that General Buller devoted Wednesday to bringing more artillery and troops across the Tugela, nothing is known of his movements, but that he badly needed reinforcements is evident from the foregoing from Frere. It is still more patent that it is impossible for him to advance until the artillery has been enabled to take up forward positions for the purpose of subduing the Boer guns on both flanks. Upon the length of time occupied in this operation depends the duration of General Buller's maintenance of the defensive. It is reasonable to suppose that the guns and re-

lieve reinforcements were in position yesterday and the important advance is now progressing, or at least that the bombardment preliminary to the actual movement of the troops is in progress. In the meanwhile, news is awaited with great eagerness, not unmingled with anxiety.

Almost all the critics now point out that the mere pushing through to Ladysmith without securing a decisive victory on the way there would only add danger to what is already a critical situation.

Another Frere Camp despatch says a Boer prisoner asserts that the burghers expected General Buller to cross at Sklot's Drift, and that thousands of Boers were being posted at Doorn Kloof, to oppose such a passage while on a captured hill there were only a few hundred Johannesburgers. This tends to increase the anxiety of those who believe that General Buller has scarcely begun the serious part of his advance, though encouragement is gleaned from the news that the heavy naval guns after repeated attempts during which the mules rolled down the hill, have succeeded in reaching the summit of Swartz Kop, when they are doing excellent practice.

General Hector MacDonald's retirement from Kood's Drift has created disappointment. But the operation was apparently only intended as a sortie or failure could scarcely have resulted in any material effect on the campaign.

A rumor that Ladysmith had been relieved is again current today, but the War Office authorities say they have no confirmation of the report.

Military attaches will leave tomorrow. Their destination is not given, but presumably they will join Lord Roberts, whose whereabouts have not yet been made public.

It was said today that one of the first steps to increase the home army will be the raising of thirty-seven new Horse and Field batteries with barracks on Salisbury Plain, and the addition of third battalions to numerous regiments which at present are without them.

Britain's Terrible Loss.

London, Feb. 9, 4:30 a. m.—The heaviest fighting in the advance of Buller appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before noon Tuesday. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casualties already reported brings the total British losses during the war to 10,244 killed, wounded and captured.

The supplementary army statement to March 31st was laid pro forma before the House of Commons yesterday, but was not made public. It is reported that the call is for £20,000,000, which would make the cost of the war up to that date £30,000,000. The maintenance of 200,000 men at the front, it is estimated, costs between £8,000,000 and £10,000,000 per month.

Hard Fighting for Buller.

London, Feb. 8.—Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post today, says:

"The British forces appear to be everywhere on the move. In the absence of local knowledge it is idle to guess the site of General Buller's next attack. If, as seems likely, this is east of Potgieter's Drift, the distance to Ladysmith is only ten miles, and the country is more open than any other route. In any event General Buller's troops will have to break the enemy's resistance by hard fighting, for the delay involved in crossing the river must make it difficult to gain the start needed to turn the enemy's flank."

"It is not known whether Lord Roberts has moved to begin the campaign or not. It may be that he has only moved to some point nearer the scene of operations, where he can be in communication with all his Generals."

Buller Was Stopped.

London, Feb. 8.—A special despatch from Spensman's Camp, dated Wednesday, February 7, says: "Our further advance is at the moment prevented, as the Boers enfilade us from their positions on Spion Kop and Doorn Kloof. Our casualties, although estimated at 250, are trifling, considering the great importance of the movement just concluded."

Aguineldo Has Escaped.

Chicago, Feb. 9.—A special to the Chronicle from Washington says: "The War Department believes that Aguineldo has escaped from the island of Luzon. The department officials would not be surprised to hear from him next as in London or Paris in company with Agoncillo."

Word to Employers.

Employers of inspectors and sub-inspectors are reminded of the request of the Citizens' Sanitary Committee that all the time necessary be allowed to enable these men to distribute and place rat poison.

DON'T PASS OUR OPERA GLASSES for the World. They're made by Le Maire. "Nuff said." K. F. WICHMAN

RETURN OF SAMUEL PARKER

What He Has to Say About Hawaii's Future.

Will Say Nothing About His Candidacy for Governorship of Hawaii Royal Maunaleum Set Apart.

Hon. Samuel Parker, who left Hawaii some four months ago, returned in the Nippon Maru from San Francisco last night. He was seen by a Bulletin reporter at the Pacific Club this forenoon just after he had finished a round of handshakes with his many friends, and, in answer to questions asked, gave the following report:

"During my absence from home I was in New York, Washington and San Francisco. Two months of this time was spent in Washington where I saw the Queen and many of the Senators and Representatives and, of course, had many talks with them about Hawaii."

"The general feeling in Washington is that Hawaii should receive a territorial form of government as soon as possible and I think the native need have no fear as to their treatment by the Government of the United States."

"I, of course, worked as much as I could in behalf of Hawaii and asked those whom I knew to give Hawaii a territorial form of government laid along the same lines as the territories on the Mainland. The Committees were working hard on the bill when I left and you may be sure there will be many changes in it before the final passage. The friends of the Hawaiians in Washington—and they are many and powerful—are doing everything to assure a just and fair treatment of the Hawaiians. As to Senator Morgan's position, I have nothing to say."

"No, I really do not know the man Hartwell and Smith are advocating for Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. To tell you the truth, the time of the men in Washington as far as Hawaii's affairs are concerned, is being taken up with general measures and no individuals for various offices are being mentioned."

"What about myself as a candidate for the Governorship of Hawaii? That is a question I would rather say nothing about one way or the other, but here is a telegram received from Senator Clark the day before I left San Francisco which gives the news of the passage of a resolution in Washington, setting apart the Royal maunaleum and grounds for the exclusive use of the royal family of Hawaii and excluding it from the government lands to be taken over by the United States."

You see by this that the men in Washington are doing their best to see that the Hawaiians are given everything that they, as the natives of the country, should have."

It will be remembered that this resolution referred to by Mr. Parker, was mentioned exclusively in the Bulletin at the time of its introduction.

ATTORNEY GEAR SATISFIED

George D. Gear, who went to Washington some months ago in connection with local constitutional questions, arrived this morning in the Nippon Maru. When asked as to the situation in Washington Mr. Gear spoke hopefully of the prospects of Hawaii's general interests before Congress.

"The legal matters connected with my mission," remarked Mr. Gear, "are receiving careful attention and I have no reason to anticipate disappointment in the outcome. You have probably noted that the provision in the Cullum bill giving our judges life tenure of office was very promptly squelched when the matter came up for serious consideration. Cullum, Clark and Hitt are doing splendid work for Hawaii."

"Hartwell? Why, Hartwell wants to come home. I know this to be a fact, provided he means what he says. The prominent men in Washington understand his position perfectly, and wonder why he was sent. Yes, Mr. Hartwell is devoting not a little of his time lobbying for Mr. Dole's personal political interests. I know whereof I speak. Owing to the personal work that is being done, I think this country's interests would be best served by the whole combination coming home, and leaving the situation in the hands of our Congressional friends. They know the situation here and know best how to accomplish prompt results in Washington."

"I am very positive that American interests in Hawaii will be properly cared for, without special favors to any particular faction. Hawaii will be given a thoroughly American government in every respect."

In a communication received by the Board of Health from the Citizens' Sanitary Committee late yesterday afternoon, it is requested that temporary arrangements be made for the cleaning out of the Kewalo ditch, the condition of which is fast becoming unbearable. This will be considered at the meeting today.

Liberal Chinese Reformers

The Honolulu society of the China reform league has already \$10,000 collected here in the treasury. One man subscribes \$2500, and a woman \$500. One of the most intelligent Chinese in the city said to a Bulletin reporter: "The money will do no good. Suppose it was a million dollars, how far would it go in a revolution. An army of 100,000 men would not be too great. What would it cost to arm so many, and how much a day to keep them?" The speaker doubtless had the news of the Queen Dowager's reactionary doings, resulting in the closing of the Peking University, saying, "It is only rumor."

THREE CHINESE CLAIMS

J. T. De Bolt, attorney, has filed the following three fire claims in the Judiciary department:

The firm of Kai Tin presents a bill for \$2,362.75, of which \$900 is for a 12-room two-story frame building, the remainder for household chattels and merchandise—"all totally destroyed by fire wrongfully permitted" by the Republic's "agents, namely, the Board of Health, to extend thereto from the destruction by fire of the Chinese new theater on Kamakela street."

The firm of Sun Hop Sing claims, with similar language, an amount of \$1659.60, of which \$900 is for one frame building, the remainder for household chattels and merchandise.

Chow Lee claims \$1803.30, in like terms with the preceding two claimants, his building being valued at \$700. These three claims, the first of Chinese losses to be judicially filed, aggregate \$5225.65.

MR DOLE GETS AUTHORITY

President Dole received the following dispatch in the Nippon Maru mail, which he regards as highly important: "Washington, D. C., Feb. 9, 1900."

"President Sanford B. Dole, Honolulu. The President approves your appointing five persons to take evidence of losses caused by the burning of Chinatown in Honolulu, and to make awards or judgments on such losses to be paid out of appropriation made by the Hawaiian Council of State in conformity with Hawaiian laws."

"JOHN HAY."

This is an answer to President Dole's request that President McKinley appoint a Court of Claims in connection with plague suppression fires. It gives President Dole himself the authority to appoint such a court or commission. The Executive has not as yet taken action on the matter.

Channel Wharf Committee.

There was a meeting this morning of the Chamber of Commerce committee of seven shipping companies and firms to direct the Channel quarantine wharf and warehouse. F. M. Swanzy of T. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., was elected chairman; J. P. Cooke of Alexander & Baldwin, secretary, and Jos. B. Atherton of Castle & Cooke, Ltd., treasurer. The meeting then adjourned until tomorrow on account of the departure of the mail for San Francisco.

Larceny in Second Degree.

In the Police Court yesterday afternoon Tashi and Fukuda were sentenced to three months' imprisonment at hard labor, having been found guilty of stealing certain silver and jewelry from John Edinger's home.

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